

***IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE***

Applicant: Holger AUCHTER et al.  
Title: CLAMP FOR FASTENING AND CONNECTING TUBES  
Appl. No.: 10/538,884  
International Filing Date: 11/14/2003  
371(c) Date: 6/14/2005  
Examiner: David BOCHNA  
Art Unit: 3679  
Confirmation Number: 8845

**STATEMENT ON SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

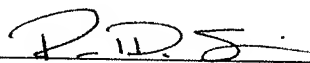
In accordance with the request in the Interview Summary of March 14, 2008 (mailed March 26, 2008), that the Applicants file a statement of substance of interview, please be advised that the Examiner's Interview Summary (copy attached), accurately summarizes the interview.

Respectfully submitted,

Date April 14, 2008

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<b>Interview Summary</b>	<b>Application No.</b>		<b>Applicant(s)</b>	
	10/538,884		AUCHTER ET AL	
	<b>Examiner</b>		<b>Art Unit</b>	
	David E. Bochna		3679	

All participants (applicant, applicant's representative, PTO personnel):

- (1) David E. Bochna. (3) \_\_\_\_\_  
 (2) Paul Strain. (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Interview: 14 March 2008.

Type: a) ☒ Telephonic b) ☐ Video Conference  
 c) ☐ Personal [copy given to: 1) ☐ applicant 2) ☐ applicant's representative]

Exhibit shown or demonstration conducted: d) ☐ Yes e) ☐ No.  
 If Yes, brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

Claim(s) discussed: 21.

Identification of prior art discussed: \_\_\_\_\_

Agreement with respect to the claims f) ☒ was reached. g) ☐ was not reached. h) ☐ N/A.

Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was agreed to if an agreement was reached, or any other comments: Changing the dependency of claim 21.

(A fuller description, if necessary, and a copy of the amendments which the examiner agreed would render the claims allowable, if available, must be attached. Also, where no copy of the amendments that would render the claims allowable is available, a summary thereof must be attached.)

THE FORMAL WRITTEN REPLY TO THE LAST OFFICE ACTION MUST INCLUDE THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. (See MPEP Section 713.04). If a reply to the last Office action has already been filed, APPLICANT IS GIVEN A NON-EXTENDABLE PERIOD OF THE LONGER OF ONE MONTH OR THIRTY DAYS FROM THIS INTERVIEW DATE, OR THE MAILING DATE OF THIS INTERVIEW SUMMARY FORM, WHICHEVER IS LATER, TO FILE A STATEMENT OF THE SUBSTANCE OF THE INTERVIEW. See Summary of Record of Interview requirements on reverse side or on attached sheet.

Examiner Note: You must sign this form unless it is an Attachment to a signed Office action.

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 Examiner's signature, if required